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SUBJECT: COMMERCE MINISTERS MEETING FOLLOW-UP ON VINYL SHEET
FLOORING PROBLEM

REF: STATE 262903

1. IN CONSULTATION WITH ARMSTRONG CORK'S TOKYO MANAGER
DAN E. GILLIS AND LOCAL AGENT S.E. NAM, EMBOFFS HAVE RENEWED
THE REQUEST FOR LIBERALIZATION OF VINYL SHEET FLOORING
(CCCN 3902) MADE AT EIGHTH MINISTERIAL AT MCI ASSISTANT
MINISTERIAL LEVEL. ADDITIONALLY, EMBOFF PERSONALLY PRESENTED
TO WORKING LEVEL, (A) DESCRIPTIVE LITERATURE INCLUDING
SPECIFICATIONS PRICE COMPARISONS, AND SUGGESTIONS ON HOW
TRADE PLAN MIGHT BE HANDLED TO ACCOMMODATE LIBERALIZATION
OF THAT CLASS OF PRODUCT, (B) SAMPLES OF ARMSTRONG AND KOREAN
PRODUCTS, AND (C) SAMPLES BURNED AND SCORED TO SHOW SUPERIOR
SAFETY AND WEAR RESISTANCE OF THE U.S. PRODUCT. PRINTED
MATERIAL WAS ORALLY EXPLAINED.

2. LOCAL AGENT FOLLOWED UP ON EMBOFFS PRESENTATION.

3. MCI CHEMICAL DIVISION IS REPORTEDLY OF THE BELIEF

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THAT LIBERALIZATION OF "LUXURY" PRODUCT IN QUESTION IS
PREMATURE AT THIS TIME. HOWEVER, EMBASSY WILL FOLLOW
UP AT HIGHER LEVELS.
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